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- ☒ 14 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
- ☒ 4 Pages of Claims
- ☒ 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

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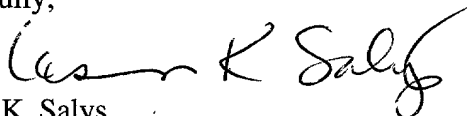
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